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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 135, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to a tax credit for contributions to pregnancy resource centers.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 135, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto two new 2 sections, to be known as sections 135.630 and 135.631, to read as follows:

135.630. 1. As used in this section, the following terms shall mean:

- 3 (1) "Contribution", a donation of cash, stock, bonds, or other 4 marketable securities, or real property;
- 5 (2) "Director", the director of the department of social services;
- 6 (3) "Pregnancy resource center", a nonresidential facility located
 7 in this state:
- 8 (a) Established and operating primarily to provide assistance to
 9 women with crisis pregnancies or unplanned pregnancies by offering
 0 pregnancy testing, counseling, emotional and material support, and
- pregnancy testing, counseling, emotional and material support, and other similar services to encourage and assist such women in carrying
- 12 their pregnancies to term; and
- 13 (b) Where childbirths are not performed; and
- 14 (c) Which does not perform or refer for abortions and which does 15 not hold itself out as performing or referring for abortions; and
- 16 (d) Which provides direct client services at the facility, as
 17 opposed to merely providing counseling or referral services by
 18 telephone; and
- 19 (e) Which provides its services at no cost to its clients; and
- 20 (f) Which is exempt from income taxation pursuant to the United
- 21 States Internal Revenue Code;
 - (4) "State tax liability", in the case of a business taxpayer, any

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liability incurred by such taxpayer pursuant to the provisions of 23 24chapters 143, 147, 148, and 153, RSMo, excluding sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo, and related provisions, and in the case of an individual 25taxpayer, any liability incurred by such taxpayer pursuant to the 26 27 provisions of chapter 143, RSMo, excluding sections 143.191 to 143.265, 28 RSMo, and related provisions;

- (5) "Taxpayer", a person, firm, a partner in a firm, corporation or a shareholder in an S corporation doing business in the state of Missouri and subject to the state income tax imposed by the provisions of chapter 143, RSMo, or a corporation subject to the annual corporation franchise tax imposed by the provisions of chapter 147, RSMo, or an insurance company paying an annual tax on its gross premium receipts in this state, or other financial institution paying taxes to the state of Missouri or any political subdivision of this state pursuant to the provisions of chapter 148, RSMo, or an express company which pays an annual tax on its gross receipts in this state pursuant to chapter 153, RSMo, or an individual subject to the state income tax imposed by the provisions of chapter 143, RSMo.
- 2. A taxpayer shall be allowed to claim a tax credit against the taxpayer's state tax liability in an amount equal to fifty percent of the amount such taxpayer contributed to a pregnancy resource center.
- 3. The amount of the tax credit claimed shall not exceed the amount of the taxpayer's state tax liability for the taxable year that the credit is claimed, and such taxpayer shall not be allowed to claim a tax credit in excess of fifty thousand dollars per taxable year. However, any tax credit that cannot be claimed in the taxable year the contribution was made may be carried over to the next four succeeding taxable years until the full credit has been claimed.
- 4. Except for any excess credit that is carried over under subsection 3 of this section, a taxpayer shall not be allowed to claim a tax credit unless the total amount of such taxpayer's contribution or contributions to a pregnancy resource center or centers in such taxpayer's taxable year has a value of at least one hundred dollars.
- 5. The director shall determine, at least annually, which facilities in this state may be classified as pregnancy resource centers. The 57director may require of a facility seeking to be classified as a pregnancy resource center whatever information deemed reasonably

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60 necessary to make such a determination. The director shall classify a 61 facility as a pregnancy resource center if such facility meets the 62 definition set forth in subsection 1 of this section.

- 6. The director shall establish a procedure by which a taxpayer can determine if a facility has been classified as a pregnancy resource center. Pregnancy resource centers shall be permitted to decline a contribution from a taxpayer. The cumulative amount of tax credits that may be claimed by all the taxpayers contributing to pregnancy resource centers in any one fiscal year shall not exceed two million dollars. Tax credits shall be issued in the order contributions are received.
- 71 7. The director shall establish a procedure by which, from the 72beginning of the fiscal year until some point in time later in the fiscal year to be determined by the director, the cumulative amount of tax 73credits are equally apportioned among all facilities classified as 74pregnancy resource centers. If a pregnancy resource center fails to use 75all, or some percentage to be determined by the director, of its 76 77apportioned tax credits during this predetermined period of time, the 78 director may reapportion these unused tax credits to those pregnancy 79 resource centers that have used all, or some percentage to be 80 determined by the director, of their apportioned tax credits during this predetermined period of time. The director may establish more than 81 82 one period of time and reapportion more than once during each fiscal 83 year. To the maximum extent possible, the director shall establish the procedure described in this subsection in such a manner as to ensure 84 that taxpayers can claim all the tax credits possible up to the 85 86 cumulative amount of tax credits available for the fiscal year.
- 8. This section shall apply to all tax years ending on or after 88 December 31, 2006.

135.631. Taxpayers shall only be permitted to redeem tax credits
they can claim under section 135.630 if the director of revenue has
reallocated other state tax credits to section 135.630. The director shall
reallocate such other state tax credits if by law they were limited to a
maximum amount during a specified time period and such amount has
not been fully redeemed or is not reasonably expected to be fully
redeemed.

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